GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
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HOTEL INDUSTRY
ALE NARENDRA

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hotel Industry have been accorded the status of Industry but facilities have not been given;

(b) if so, whether the Indian Hotel Industry have demanded from the Government to give them the same facilities as are available to computer and software industries;

(c) if so, the details thereof, and

(d) the reaction of the Government thereto ?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTHKUMAR)

(a), (b), (c) & (d) : Yes, Sir. The Government of India has accorded Export House Status to tourism.Hotels, travel agents, tour operators , tourist transport operators shall be entitled for recognition as export house / trading house / star trading house / super star trading house vide Government of India, Ministry of Commerce Notification No. 33 (RE-98)1997-2002 dated 26.11.98.Consequently, they shall be entitled to such benefits as specified in chapter 12 of the Hand Book of Procedures (VOL .I).

The Department of Tourism has recommended the demands of the Indian Hotels Industry that they may be given facilities at par with the computer / software industries.